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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2010, the Applicant elects the Group1 invention, including claims 1-10 and 15-16. The election is made without traverse. Please proceed to examination on the merits.

A provisional petition is hereby made for any extension of time necessary for the continued pendency during the life of this application. Please charge any fees for such provisional petition and any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041.

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